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New Ford Mustang, EcoSport and Tourneo Custom Spearhead Diverse Ford Product Showcase at 2017 Frankfurt Motor Show

- Faster and sleeker iconic Ford Mustang; more capable and comfortable EcoSport SUV; more versatile and premium Tourneo Custom people mover debut at Frankfurt Motor Show
- New Mustang delivers 450 PS 5.0-litre V8 engine, new 10-speed automatic gearbox and MagneRide adjustable suspension for ultimate performance
- Enhanced quality new EcoSport features Intelligent AWD, new 1.5-litre EcoBlue diesel engine, greater personalisation. Tourneo Custom delivers best-in-class seat versatility
- Ranger Black Edition also makes debut. Exclusive Ford GT ’67 Heritage edition on show alongside comprehensive all-new Fiesta line-up, ST-Line and Ford Performance ranges

FRANKFURT, Germany, Sept. 11, 2017 – Ford today delivered the European public debuts of the more powerful new Ford Mustang sports car; more capable EcoSport sports utility vehicle (SUV); and more premium Tourneo Custom people mover at the 2017 Frankfurt Motor Show, in Germany.

The new Mustang, EcoSport and Tourneo Custom are joined by a new Ranger Black Edition pickup – limited to just 2,500 examples – also on display for the first time.

Ford is showcasing the diversity of the company’s European model range in Frankfurt, from the all-new version of the Ford Fiesta – around 18 million of which have been built worldwide across four decades, to the exclusive Ford GT – limited to just 1,000 vehicles across four years of confirmed production and on show in recently introduced ’67 Heritage edition specification.

“The breadth of our product range allows Ford to democratise innovations and sophisticated technologies – delivering them to customers of every type of vehicle. Our research into controls and displays for the Ford GT ultra-high-performance supercar has influenced the 12-inch digital display in our new Ford Mustang, and the ergonomic control layout of the new EcoSport,” said Steven Armstrong, group vice president and president, Europe, Middle East & Africa, Ford Motor Company.

Germany is an important research, design and manufacturing centre for Ford. The foundation stone for the company’s manufacturing facility in Cologne, Germany – where the all-new Fiesta is built today – was laid in 1930. Cologne is also home to Ford Design and Product Development centres.

Ford’s manufacturing facility in Saarlouis, Germany – where the Focus, C-MAX and Grand C-MAX models are assembled – last year produced its 14 millionth vehicle. The company’s only Research and Advanced Engineering centre outside of the U.S. is based in Aachen, Germany.
Unmistakably Mustang
Sleeker, faster and more technologically-advanced, the new Ford Mustang for Europe delivers athletic styling, sophisticated engine and suspension upgrades and advanced driver assistance features. Ford has sold almost 30,000 Mustangs in Europe since the iconic sports car first went on sale across the region for the first time in more than 50 years, in early 2015.

The instantly-recognisable, powerful Mustang profile now features a lower bonnet profile and more aggressive face. Dramatic rear-end design is enhanced with a re-modelled bumper and diffuser element.

Mustang’s exhilarating performance and a fun-to-drive experience are enhanced with a further-developed Ford 5.0-litre V8 engine, delivering an anticipated 450 PS. Both the 5.0-litre V8 and 290 PS 2.3-litre EcoBoost are available with an advanced new 10-speed automatic transmission that uses real-time adaptive shift-scheduling to offer improved fuel efficiency* and acceleration.

“Typically, when you shift gears, you give up time,” said Matthias Tonn, Mustang chief programme engineer, Ford of Europe. “The Mustang’s new 10-speed transmission enables the engine to deliver peak power and torque while up-shifting, for faster acceleration and seamless performance. We expect the result to be our fastest accelerating Ford Mustang yet.”

A new optional MagneRide Damping System can deliver a lightning-quick response to changing road conditions, and two new selectable Drive Modes – Drag Strip Mode and customisable My Mode – join the Normal, Sport, Track and Snow/Wet Modes. Active Valve Performance Exhaust technology includes an innovative Good Neighbour Mode, which can automatically limit the exhaust’s noise output to avoid disturbing neighbours. With Drag Strip mode enabled, Ford expects the new Mustang 5.0-litre V8 to be the fastest accelerating ever, with anticipated 0-60 mph (0-97 km/h) acceleration in less than 4 seconds, a time that was once the preserve of the most exotic supercars.

New Mustang driver assistance technologies include Pre-Collision Assist with Pedestrian Detection, Adaptive Cruise Control, Distance Alert, Lane Departure Warning and Lane Keeping Aid. Also available is a customisable, all-digital, 12-inch LCD instrument cluster, while Ford’s SYNC 3 communications and entertainment system – compatible with Apple CarPlay and Android Auto™ – can be controlled by natural voice commands and using pinch and swipe gestures on the central 8-inch touch screen.

More capable and comfortable new EcoSport
The new Ford EcoSport compact SUV delivers enhanced versatility and capability, more refined styling and sophisticated technologies. Ford has sold 150,000 EcoSports in Europe since the model was introduced to the region in 2014.

Ford Intelligent All Wheel Drive (AWD) is now offered for the first time, for improved traction on-and off-road, combined with an advanced new 1.5-litre EcoBlue diesel engine, delivering up to 125 PS and optimised CO2 emissions. Ford’s multi-award-winning 1.0-litre EcoBoost petrol engine also will be offered with three power outputs up to 140 PS.

Dynamic, rugged and refined new EcoSport exterior styling reflecting that of the mid-sized Kuga and large Edge SUVs is offered in 12 bold colours. More personalisation options include
contrasting painted roof colours that extend to the window pillars, upper door frames, rear roof spoiler and door mirrors.

A user-centric, upscale new EcoSport interior features easier to use controls and soft-touch materials, with floating central touchscreens up to 8-inches. The new EcoSport line-up will also for the first time include the new EcoSport ST-Line variant, delivering unique Ford Performance-inspired exterior and interior styling.

Sophisticated new EcoSport driver assistance technologies and convenience features include for the first time Cruise Control with Adjustable Speed Limiter and a rear view camera. Automatic headlights and rain-sensing wipers also are available, as are Ford’s Blind Spot Information System (BLIS) that can alert the driver to vehicles approaching alongside; a new 4.2-inch digital instrument cluster; power-folding, heated door mirrors; SYNC 3 connectivity; and a new premium B&O PLAY sound system specifically calibrated for EcoSport.

“We’ve enhanced the quality, technology and versatility of the new Ford EcoSport to deliver more of the confidence and control that compact SUV customers want,” said Gary Boes, global B-car vehicle line director, Ford Motor Company. “Drivers will feel more comfortable and self-assured than ever at the wheel.”

**Uniquely versatile Tourneo Custom**

The new Tourneo Custom people mover delivers first class travel for up to nine occupants. Featuring bold new front-end exterior design that shares the same design DNA as Ford’s latest passenger cars, the new Tourneo Custom is the only vehicle in its segment to offer six individual rear passenger seats with the ability to arrange the two rear rows in conference format for outstanding access and enhanced interaction between passengers, or in two rows of three seats facing forward.

Rear seat passengers also benefit from more effective air conditioning system, six USB ports, and the 10-speaker audio system. Material quality is enhanced with thick yarn fabrics and fine grain leathers. Drivers will appreciate improved connectivity with Ford’s SYNC 3 system supported by an 8-inch touchscreen.

“With the new Tourneo Custom, every passenger can enjoy the best seat in the house,” said Pete Reyes, vehicle line director, Ford of Europe. “This versatile people mover has been transformed from top to bottom, with a stylish interior that combines the comfort and quality of a luxury car with outstanding space and practicality.”

The new Tourneo Custom is the first vehicle in its segment to offer Intelligent Speed Limiter. The new model also offers BLIS with Cross Traffic Alert. These new features add to the comprehensive suite of technologies already available for Tourneo Custom, including Pre-Collision Assist with Pedestrian Detection, Lane Keeping Alert, Side Wind Stabilisation and Adaptive Cruise Control.

Ford’s state-of-the-art 2.0-litre Ford EcoBlue diesel engine delivers up to 170 PS alongside significant cost of ownership and performance benefits. A six-speed SelectShift automatic transmission is smooth and responsive, and a unique-to-segment rear air suspension system delivers a supple, controlled and level ride across a wide range of load conditions.
An upscale Titanium X package – including leather trim, SYNC 3 with satellite navigation and rear view camera, and HID Xenon headlamps as standard; and a dynamic Sport series – delivering 170 PS engine option, a full exterior body kit with twin bonnet stripes and unique 17-inch alloy wheels, and partial leather interior trim, also are offered.

**Exclusive Ranger Black Edition**
Limited to just 2,500 examples, the new Ranger Black Edition is a distinctive new version of Europe’s No.1 selling pickup, with a striking colour-coded appearance. The Black Edition model is based on the popular Limited series, and features a de-chromed body in Absolute Black with a black finish for the radiator grille, alloy wheels, sports bar and exterior detailing.

Offered in Double Cab bodystyle only, the Ranger Black Edition standard equipment specification includes satellite navigation, front parking sensors and rear view camera, adding to the Limited series features such as Ford SYNC 3 multimedia system with 8-inch touchscreen, dual-zone electronic climate control, leather seat trim, and power-folding, heated door mirrors.

**Honouring Le Mans history**
Ford earlier this year introduced the exclusive Ford GT ’67 Heritage edition, celebrating the GT40 Mark IV race car driven to victory by Dan Gurney and A.J. Foyt at Le Mans in 1967.

The Ford GT ’67 Heritage edition features a gloss-finish Race Red exterior with white stripes and exposed carbon package. The car sports Frozen White No.1 hood and door graphics, and 20-inch one-piece forged aluminum wheels in silver satin clearcoat with black wheel nuts. Red callipers and silver mirror housings complete the look.

The interior features new leather trimming for the carbon fibre seats, with red accent stitching, which carries over to the steering wheel. The seat belt webbing is now red and the paddle shifters are anodised grey. Each example features a unique serialised identification plate, plus exposed matte carbon fibre door sills, air register pods and centre console.

The Ford GT’s 3.5-litre V6 EcoBoost engine is SAE rated at 647 horsepower and 550 lb.-ft. of torque in U.S. specification. A top speed of 347 km/h (216 mph) makes the Ford GT the fastest Ford production vehicle on the track ever.

**All-new Fiesta**
The all-new Fiesta is the most technologically advanced small car on sale in Europe, offering sophisticated driver assistance technologies including Pedestrian Detection that for the first time can help prevent collisions in the dark; and the first Ford Active Park Assist system that can deliver brake interventions to prevent low-speed bumps when parking hands-free.

Connectivity features include a premium B&O PLAY sound system, Ford’s SYNC 3 communications and entertainment system, and tablet-inspired touchscreens up to 8-inches. The all-new Fiesta also offers a stylish new exterior and revolutionary interior with more personalisation options than ever before; Fiesta’s first openable, full length, panoramic glass roof; and an even more compelling fun to drive character.

The comprehensive all-new Fiesta line-up includes the stylish Fiesta Titanium, the Ford Performance-inspired Fiesta ST-Line, the upscale Fiesta Vignale, and Fiesta Trend. The Fiesta Active crossover – the first in a new line-up of Active vehicles to be rolled out across the Ford range in years to come – and the all-new 200 PS Fiesta ST will also go on sale next year.
Ford Performance and sporty ST-Line


Also on display in Frankfurt on public days are the Ford Performance Focus ST and Focus RS models, and the compact yet spacious KA+ five-door hatchback.

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*The declared Fuel/Energy Consumptions, CO₂ emissions and electric range are measured according to the technical requirements and specifications of the European Regulations (EC) 715/2007 and (EC) 692/2008 as last amended. Fuel consumption and CO₂ emissions are specified for a vehicle variant and not for a single car. The applied standard test procedure enables comparison between different vehicle types and different manufacturers. In addition to the fuel efficiency of a car, driving behaviour as well as other non-technical factors play a role in determining a car’s fuel/energy consumption, CO₂ emissions and electric range. CO₂ is the main greenhouse gas responsible for global warming.

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